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## **An Opportunity for New Hampshire Businesses**

## **Security for Small New Hampshire Water Systems**

## **Safe Drinking Water for All**



### **What Is Businesses United For Water Security?**

The NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) was chosen by the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to participate in the Businesses United for Water Security pilot project, which will help address the immediate security vulnerabilities of small public water systems. Under this program, New Hampshire businesses and corporations doing business in the state can provide security equipment, products, resources, and services either at or below cost, or through donations to small water systems that are unable to address their most basic security needs. In exchange for this sponsorship, participating businesses goodwill and patriotism is widely publicized with free publicity on the DES website and a business relationship with local water systems is established or nurtured.

### **Why Is This Program Needed?**

In New Hampshire, there are over 700 community public water systems. Most of these systems rely on groundwater and surface water sources that are typically located in isolated areas. According to expert reports, many of these types of systems are ideal “soft” targets for terrorist attack. Many, in fact, expect attacks targeting America’s rural communities in order to spread fear throughout the country. Because of the significant resources needed for daily operation and compliance at a small public water system, without new creative funding, the majority of these systems will not be able to address even their most obvious security vulnerabilities. This is significant because a successful terrorist attack or a hoax at a small system will significantly undermine public confidence in America’s drinking water industry.

### **What Type Of Products Do Water Systems Need?**

Eligible equipment and products needed at small water systems to address their immediate security needs include:

- Security components for supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) systems
- Locks
- Gates
- Alarm Systems
- Barriers for Access Roads, Windows and Doors
- Fencing
- Back-up Generators
- Access Controls
- Lights
- Cameras



Why Should My Business Participate?

By providing security needs to small water systems you are first and foremost providing a generous, patriotic contribution to address your communities security needs.

Without your support, small water systems will not be able to reduce their vulnerability, making them an easy target for terrorists and other intentional attacks.

Your business will be recognized in a variety of ways for your participation in this important program.

- Participation will be publicized via general press releases and articles in DES newsletters.
- A list of participating businesses will be listed on the DES website.

Sponsorship is an opportunity to establish or nurture business relationships with local water systems.

How Does the Program Work and How Can My Business Participate?

Participating businesses will offer security products, equipment and services to water systems either at or below cost or through donations. Your business will then be listed on the program website where water systems can go and search for security products and services. Water systems will be notified of the website and offered installation grants to install security products at their water system. So water systems will be looking for products and installation services. A donation receipt for tax purposes can be provided if necessary.

If you are interested in participating, please fill out the attached form and return it to DES. If you have any questions about the program please contact DES at (603) 271-7017.

It's Good for Your Business,  
It's Good for Your Community,  
It Keeps Drinking Water Safe!

www.des.state.nh.us/wseb



Businesses United for Water Security  
Participation Form

If you would like to participate in the program and would like free listing on the DES Businesses United for Water Security webpage, please fill out the information below. Send it to the address provided on the back page of this form, or you may fax it to (603) 271-0656. This form can also be filled out online at [www.des.state.nh.us/wseb/buws\\_contactform.asp](http://www.des.state.nh.us/wseb/buws_contactform.asp).

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Type: Product Supplier \_\_\_\_\_

Installer \_\_\_\_\_

Both \_\_\_\_\_

Available Security Products and/or Services: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Participation:

Products

- ☐ Discount \_\_\_\_\_ %
- ☐ At-cost
- ☐ Donated
- ☐ Full retail

Installation

- ☐ Discount \_\_\_\_\_ %
- ☐ Full retail